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SUBJECT: SECRETARY'S THANK YOU TO PRESIDENT SALEH FOR
COOPERATION WITH FBI

CLASSIFIED BY SECRETARY OF STATE MADELEINE K. ALBRIGHT
REASON: 1.5 (B) AND (D).

11. (S) PLEASE DELIVER THE FOLLOWING ORAL MESSAGE FROM THE
SECRETARY TO PRESIDENT ALI ABDULLAH SALEH AT AN
APPROPRIATE TIME.

12. (S) BEGIN ORAL MESSAGE:

I DEEPLY APPRECIATE THE ON-GOING COOPERATION WE HAVE
RECEIVED FROM YOU DURING OUR JOINT INVESTIGATION INTO THE
ATTACK ON THE USS COLE. I WAS ALSO MOST PLEASED WHEN
AMBASSADOR BODINE REPORTED THAT SHE HAD SIGNED JOINTLY
DEVELOPED GUIDELINES THAT SHOULD ALLOW BOTH SIDES EVEN
GREATER ACCESS TO EACH OTHER'S INVESTIGATIVE PROCESS.

BOTH SIDES WILL BENEFIT FROM BEING PRESENT DURING
INTERVIEWS AND THE CONTINUED SHARING OF INFORMATION. WE

ARE COMMITTED TO SEEING THIS INVESTIGATION THROUGH UNTIL
WE FIND ALL THOSE RESPONSIBLE. FULL IMPLEMENTATION OF
THESE GUIDELINES WILL BE IMPORTANT TO OUR EFFORT TO DO SO.

END TEXT.
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